



The Lincoln School

Lincletter

Wednesday

May 19, 2010

CO-PRESIDENTS' NOTE

We saw many Lincoln faces at the 75th annual EnKa Fair (and lived to tell the tale!) This week we will honor top Lincoln Alumni at Winchester High School. Kate Carpinini and Bridget Stump will be on hand Wednesday evening to distribute scholarships from our LSPA, an annual honor bestowed to top students from our school. Please make an effort to attend our final Building and Grounds Clean-up this Saturday morning. Stop by for even a short time - it's a great way for our students to develop a sense of responsibility and pride in their school. Tis' the season for promenades - WFEE gears up for its annual Prom! It's not too late to purchase your tickets to support WFEE's educational programs in our schools (available at BookEnds). In closing - Don't miss it! Field Day has been moved to Thursday, June 3rd. Our Best - Bridget Stump & Linda McDonough

CALENDAR

Saturday, May 22nd

- 9am-12pm Lincoln Spring Cleanup
 - WFEE Prom'N Aid- Fundraiser in evening
- Thursday, May 27th** 10am May Day Celebration (families welcome)

Thursday, June 3rd Field Day

FIELD DAY

IT IS TIME TO START PLANNING--Field Day is almost here! Lincoln School Field Day is set for **Thursday, June 3rd** (rain date **Thursday, June 10th**) Yeah! We will need **MANY** Volunteers to help that day. No experience is necessary, just the desire to help make this a GREAT event for the Lincoln School students! Get a friend, sign up together, and have a fantastic day! We need your help with:

- Setting up early on the morning of the event (6:30-8:30)
- Running an event/game in the morning (Manchester Field 8:45-11:00)
- Running an event/game in the afternoon (Manchester Field 12:00-2:00)
- Helping in the lunchroom (10:30-1:30)

Contact Andrea Cogan at acogan@winchester.k12.ma.us if you want to help with set up or games. Contact Emily Ehl at e.ehl@verizon.net if you would like to help with lunch room or other field day duties. Thank you all so much--without you we could not have such a smooth day!

LINCOLN SPRING CLEAN UP!

This Saturday, MAY 22nd 9-12pm

All hands on deck!! Lincoln parents and children are needed to help with our annual Spring clean up. Even if you can only spare a half hour, please come and trim a bush or spread some mulch. Many hands make this job much more manageable. Many Lincoln families work quite hard to keep our school grounds looking great, come share the work! Please bring any rakes or clippers that you own, although some tools will be available. This is a great way to build community spirit for you and your children at Lincoln.

MATH & SCIENCE MANIA WAS AMAZING !!

More the 250 members of the Lincoln community turned out to participate in Math & Science Mania on Wednesday May 5th. Thank you for making the undertaking a huge success. Find pictures of our amazed children and amazing presenters in the hallway near the main office. You'll see how amazing science and math can be through the eyes of an engaged child.

Better yet, we still have prize winners to announce. **Here are the winners of the Airplane Making & Flying Contest.** If your airplane flew the farthest and your name is listed here, be sure to pick up your prize (you'll love it!) at the front desk. And congratulations!

Kindergarten - Jacqui Schlesinger, KS

1st grade - Owen Weitz, 1F

2nd grade - Aidan Molloy, 2B

3rd grade - William Rappole, 3L

4th grade - Gavin Dauer, 4W

5th grade - Andrew Peterson, 5H

LAST LIBRARY CHECK OUT

In efforts to prepare the library for the end of the year, the Lincoln Library's last day to check out books is Friday, May 28th. Closing the library takes an incredible amount of time to get all books back in, reshelfed, and inventoried. I rely heavily on the parent volunteers since the process takes about 2 weeks. Teachers will still have access to books to continue with their teaching, but circulation will be closed to students. Please help your children find and return their books by Friday, June 4th. Thank you for all your support!

LeeAnne Toner, Lincoln Librarian



JUST 5 BOX TOPS PER STUDENT = OUR \$1,500 GOAL!

A mere 5 Box Tops brought in by each Lincoln student by May 28th will help us reach our \$1,500 goal! It's likely you have 5 Box Tops in your pantry right now. Participating products include family staples such as General Mills cereals, Old El Paso salsa and taco shells, Nature Valley granola bars, Pillsbury products, Pop Secret popcorn, Ziploc Brand bags and Kleenex...just to name a few. Please tear off the Box Tops and send them into the classroom by the end of May to help us reach our school's \$1,500 goal! Thank you!

Lead Box Top collectors

as of May 1st, 2010:

1st Place M. Haugh 5th Grade: 1461

2nd Place M. Bowman 2nd grade: 1285

3rd Place M. Barford 4th grade: 1195

4th Place C. Flaherty 1st grade: 1055

5th Place M. Hollis-Pfeifer 3rd grade: 1009

ATTENTION 5th GRADE PARENTS FROM MCCALL PARENTS ASSOC.

More information about next year will be coming out during May and June. "Moving Up Day," when your children will find out what team they will be on in September, will be June 7th. We encourage you to visit the parents' association website --- www.mccallpa.org --- to learn more about what we do, and to sign up for our

newsletters and email updates. The school website --- www.winchester.k12.ma.us --- has useful information about the curriculum, staff, library, after-school extracurricular activities, etc. The Parent to Parent website --- parenttoparentwinchester.org --- is also a great resource. The McCall Program of Studies booklet is now posted online at the school website (left side of screen). Please do not hesitate to contact us at president@mccallpa.org if you have any questions. We are excited that you all will be joining the McCall Middle School community next year! - Paula, Anne Marie & Susan

BATTLE OF THE BOOKS!

Next week on Thursday, May 27th, the school librarians will be hosting the first ever, Winchester Reading Rocks, Battle of the Books in the Lincoln School Auditorium. The event will be 1 hour long, from 7:00-8:00 pm and each team will be made up of 3-4th grade and 3-5th grade students. This will be similar to the Trivia Bee and the students will answer questions based on a list of books that they have read. All 5 elementary schools will be represented and will have teams vying for a school trophy.

During the past year, all Winchester 4th and 5th grade students were encouraged to read from a list of 25 books known as Winchester Reading Rocks! We encouraged the students to read at least 5 of these books in order to vote for a townwide (and schoolwide) favorite. Out of a total of 155 Lincoln 4th and 5th graders, 115 had read at least 5 books. A terrific feat, especially since they were continuing to read all the required books in their individual classes.

In addition, we added a new twist to this reading adventure. If a student had read 8 or more books, they were encouraged to enter a random drawing to be part of the team to represent the Lincoln School in this townwide event. At least 43 students had read 8 or more and about 35 threw their name into the hat. The Lincoln Team is excited and will be announced soon!

Although it is a busy time of year, we would love to see many of you come out and cheer ALL of the teams on. Hoping to see you at Lincoln on Thursday, May 27th,

LeeAnne Toner, Jan Bernardi, Jessica Callahan, and Juliana Jarvis
(Winchester Elementary Librarians)

P.S. As a courtesy, Bookends has generously agreed to have available for sale a cart or two of summer reading books and if we have the title in time, the 6th grade required reading book!

EDUCATIONAL TECHNOLOGY

BrainPOP Home Access Information:

What is BrainPOP? BrainPOP creates animated, curriculum-based content that engages students, supports educators, and bolsters achievement. The award-winning online educational resources include Brain POP Jr. (K-3) and BrainPOP. BrainPOP comes from a WFEE Grant written by the Elementary Instructional Technology Specialists. Below is the information for students to be able to access Brainpop for home use: <http://www.brainpop.com/>
Username: winchesterma
Password: brainpop

COMMUNITY NEWS

WFEE NEWS: The Prom 'n Aid

Tickets are going fast for the WFEE Prom 'n Aid. Stop by Book Ends or go to www.wfee.org to make sure you'll be under our virtual tent at Town Hall, May 22nd. Bistro Five of Medford is providing the perfect garden party dinner and SIX promises to rock the house in support of Winchester's public schools. Among the live auction items: an electric truck, a behind the scenes tour of Logan Airport, plus a chance to have your own house band at a summer party. Tickets can be purchased at www.wfee.org or at Book Ends, \$350 a couple, \$175 if you are coming stag. Proceeds support all Winchester schools. Plan your party attire now; special Prom guests include some faces from your past. For more information on WFEE and updates on events or our grants, visit our website, www.wfee.org. The WFEE Grants Committee is currently reviewing proposals for the 2010-2011 school year. Grants will be awarded in May. Check the website to see what grants will benefit your school. All grants are funded through donations to WFEE. To make an on-line donation, go to www.wfee.org or you can mail a check to WFEE, P.O. Box 1005, Winchester, MA. WFEE contributions are tax deductible and eligible for employer matching gift programs.

SUMMER ENRICHMENT

Winchester teachers submitted course proposals in subject areas they are passionate about! Their ideas are creative and inspiring. We hope that many children will share their interest and sign up this summer! Course descriptions can be found on-line at <http://www.winchester.k12.ma.us/> For more information contact Nancy Clark at

nclark@winchester.k12.ma.us or 781-721-7001.

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED FOR TOWN DAY ART SHOW

Winchester Friends of Art is looking for volunteers to help with the Town Day art show in Town Hall's Maurer Auditorium. This art to be displayed has been created by students in art classes throughout the Winchester schools. We are looking for help setting up on Friday, June 4th between 9:00 AM – 3:00 PM. On Town Day (Saturday), we need volunteers to work at the raffle tables and as docents (helping children and parents find their artwork on display) starting at 9:30 AM (opens at 10) until 4:00 PM. Finally, we need one parent from each school who can return art work to the art teacher the following week. Please email Sue Clark at winchesterfoa@hotmail.com if you can help in any way. Thank you.

FANSPLASH UPDATE

We are thrilled to announce that the Borggaard Beach Splash Park will be built this summer! The scope of the park to be installed this summer will be determined by the amount of money raised by May 15th. Enough funds have been raised to date to implement a simplistic splash pad. We are now raising funds to go solely toward the above ground elements that would make this park complete. **We only a few days to reach our financial goal!** Will you & your children be joining us at the splash park this summer that will utilize town drinking water, is geared toward children aged 0-14, and that has the potential to be open from May to October? Do you have, or know of, a child with a disability that would benefit from having access to our region's only accessible outdoor water based recreation? Will you appreciate having a vibrant multi-generational community gathering place to relax and meet old friends and make new ones? Can you imagine how all Winchester residents stand to benefit from the potential generation of thousands of dollars in new revenue from the splash park? If you said yes to any of the above, or see the value that this project has for our town this year, then we **NEED** your help **TODAY!** The implementation of the full Splash Park, as envisioned, is within our reach if we can rally our community members, friends, and generous donors to donate to the project in this week! To implement the splash park as envisioned, we still need to raise an additional: **\$40,000. How can we meet our Goal?** If every person reading this note donates \$100 today we will reach our goal!

Of course, donations in any and all denominations would be appreciated! We are proud to say that less than 4% of the money raised to date has gone toward FANSplash fundraising, publicity and administrative costs. All future donations will go directly towards the installation of the Splash Park. If you have already contributed to this effort with either your time or financial support, thank you for your generosity. Visit www.fansplash.org to make a contribution in **any** amount, or send a check, payable to Family Action Network, to FAN-Splash, PO Box 805, Winchester, MA 01890. All donations are tax deductible. For more information, visit <http://www.fansplash.org/>

STAR WARS MOVIE BENEFIT

In a galaxy far, far away (well maybe not that far), there was a town that needed a new playground for its children. Luke and Obi Wan are coming to the rescue, but they can't do it without your help. Support the restoration of Winchester's GINN Playground, and let your kids experience the awe and wonder of the original *Star Wars: Episode IV - A New Hope* on the big screen. The star-studded event will be take place at the Studio Cinema in Belmont, 376 Trapelo Road, Belmont (10-minute drive) on Friday, May 21st at 3:30 pm. Tickets are \$10 per person. Seating is limited. You can buy your tickets online at <http://www.beGINNagain.com/> or at the door. May the playground forces be with you!

GRIFFIN MUSEUM SUMMER CAMP

For the 2nd year, the Griffin Museum of Photography will offer a two-week day-camp program for middle school students (grades 5-9) and a one-week day-camp program for elementary school students (grades 1-4). Each week will have a specific

focus led by a certified visual arts instructor, Catherine Nasser. The first week is *Collage Assemblage* for grades 5-9 (July 5-9); the second is *Photo Arts* for Grades 5 -9 (July 12-16); and the third is *Elementary Creative Arts and Photography* for Grades 1 – 4 (July 19-23). We know your child will enjoy our offerings that utilize the photograph and other visual arts media for a fun and collaborative educational experience. Each class is structured to build visual literacy skills as well as develop critical thinking skills through artmaking. Although the classes do not require a camera, students are welcome to bring cameras to use in their projects. No photography experience is needed. **An exhibition of all student artwork will go on display at the museum after the completion of all workshops.** Class size limited to 15. See the website for details. www.griffinmuseum.org. Students may take more than one class. Students in grades 5-9 who register for the two classes will receive a \$50 discount off of their total price. The *Collage/Assemblage* and *Photo Arts* classes will run from 9 AM to 3 PM on Monday through Friday with a half-hour supervised lunch. Students should bring a packed lunch to class every day. The *Elementary* class will run from 9 AM to Noon. For more information, call 781-729-1158, or visit www.griffinmuseum.org.

SUMMER FOOTBALL CAMP

The Black and Big Blue Youth Football Camp will be held in Winchester from June 21-24, 2010. This is an excellent opportunity for your son to participate in a fun, non-contact, instructional football camp with exceptional instructors. The camp will be conveniently held at the

McCall Middle School field. I encourage every Winchester Pop Warner player to take advantage of this camp and especially those players who are new to football or those who will miss time in August due to vacations, etc. Each camper will be given the opportunity to learn and improve offensive, defensive and special teams skills. The instructors for this camp are primarily from Paul Manganaro's Sachem Youth Football Club staff and from the Varsity staff at Phillips Andover Academy. Winchester Pop Warner coaches will also be on the camps coaching staff. The cost of the camp is \$99 and registration deadline is May 21st. To maintain a low camper to coach ratio, enrollment will be limited. Each camper will receive a Black and Big Blue Camp t-shirt, and a guest NFL player will address the kids on the final night of the camp. This will be a great camp--please make every effort to have your son participate. More information and registration forms can be found at: <http://www.sachemyouth.org/>

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